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- 1. The Autobahn bridge over the Oder at Frankfurt, which is 575 m. long and has an effective width of 7.20 m., is to be completed during 1955.
- 2. All 7 arches of the bridge which has been under construction for approximately 3 years have been completed. They are of reinforced concrete construction, as are the groups of six interspaced upright supports for the road surface. The road surface up to and including the 4th arch from the western end of the bridge has been completed. Construction of the forms for pouring the cement for the upright supports on either side of the 5th arch is in progress. The 5th arch, which has a width of 90 meters, spans the navigable channel of the Oder.
- 3. A single lane of the Autobahn has been extended up to the western end of the bridge. Funds for surfacing it, however, are not available at present. An emergency approach from the point where the Autobahn extension crosses the Frankfurt/Oder Guben road is under construction. Earth movements for the connecting road at the eastern end of the bridge have also been completed.



